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The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
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Dear Supervisors:

**AUTHORIZATION TO USE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FUNDS (ITF) TO  
SUPPORT VARIOUS DEPARTMENTAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROJECTS  
(ALL DISTRICTS -- 3 VOTES)**

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

1. Approve and authorize the use of \$344,000 from the Information Technology Fund to support the Public Library's project – *Internet Protection Project*.
2. Approve and authorize the use of \$190,162 from the Information Technology Fund to support the Department of Consumer Affairs' project – *Personal Computer Replacement Project*.

**PURPOSE OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

In their December 12, 2005 meeting, the ITF Executive Committee voted to recommend support of two project proposal awards from the Information Technology Fund. Your Board's approval of the recommended actions will provide a total of \$534,162 in funding to support these projects.

**Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Public Library's Internet Protection Project proposal is consistent with the County's Strategic Plan in supporting Goal 1 – Service Excellence and Goal 3 – Organizational Effectiveness.

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The Department of Consumer Affairs' Personal Computer Replacement Project proposal is consistent with the County's Strategic Plan in supporting Goal 2 – Workforce Excellence and Goal 3 – Organizational Effectiveness.

### **JUSTIFICATION**

On December 12, 2005, the ITF Executive Committee voted to recommend Board approval of the departmental technology projects described below:

#### **Public Library's Internet Protection Project**

As instructed by the Board of Supervisor in October, the Public Library has worked with the Chief Administrative Office to determine methods to ensure that children and other patrons are protected from exposure to objectionable materials that are being viewed on the Internet from "Public Access Computers" by patrons in the County's libraries.

The Public Library proposes to install privacy monitors with integrated privacy screens to eliminate the current problem of customers removing privacy screens. It will also support the redesign of the public computer layouts at 14 libraries to move adult computers away from the direct path of travel for children and acquire supplemental services to implement additional filtering on adult computers, which will block explicit visual sexual sites.

#### **Department of Consumer Affairs' Personal Computer Replacement Project**

The Department of Consumer Affairs proposes to acquire computer equipment in an effort to maintain compliance with countywide computing standards, data security requirements, and to support their planned transition to the Internal Services Department's (ISD) Information Technology Shared Services (ITSS).

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

Following approval by your Board, \$534,162 will be awarded from the ITF to support the two recommended projects.

Maintenance costs for these projects are the responsibility of the individual departments. These recommended actions will not require additional net County cost.

There are no other fiscal impacts.

## **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

There are no legal requirements or prohibitions related to these recommended actions.

## **IMPACT OF CURRENT SERVICES**

### **Public Library's Internet Protection Project**

This project will provide for the purchase of computer servers and related equipment to implement additional Internet filtering, acquisition of monitors with integrated privacy screens to prevent the removal of privacy screens by customers and to complete reconfiguration of public computer areas to separate adults and children in 14 libraries. It will make significant progress in addressing the issue of ensuring that children and other patrons are protected from exposure to objectionable materials that are being viewed on the Internet by others in the County's libraries.

### **Department of Consumer Affairs's Personal Computer Replacement Project**

This project is an effort to maintain compliance with countywide computing standards, data security requirements and transition to ISD's Information Technology Shared Services (ITSS). It will benefit the Department by improving the Department's computing equipment for greater efficiency, reliability and system security features. In addition, the project provides for equipment that supports their plan to join the ITSS environment.

## **CONCLUSION**

Your Board's approval of the recommended actions will authorize the use of ITF funds in the amount of \$344,000 for the Public Library and \$190,162 for the Department of Consumer Affairs for their proposed technology projects.

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All ITF Grant recipients are required to provide a bi-monthly status report to the Chief Information Officer. All projects are established in the I/T Project Tracking and Status System (ITTS) monitored by the Chief Information Office.

Respectfully submitted,



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